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REF: BERLIN'S G-524 TO DEPT.

WE FEEL STRONGLY THAT COL. KOROL'S LETTER JUNE 26 CAN NOT RPT NOT BE LEFT UNANSWERED. AS FAR AS WE AWARE, THIS FIRST TIME SOVIETS HAVE CLAIMED THEIR RESPONSIBILITY ON HALMSTEDT-BERLIN AUTOBAHN LIMITED TO CHECKPOINT AREA AND THAT OTHER PARTS THIS HIGHWAY OUTSIDE THEIR "SPHERE OF INFLUENCE" AND PROBLEMS ARISING THERE "SHOULD BE SETTLED WITH PROPER AUTHORITIES OF GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC". SEEMS TO US EXTREMELY IMPORTANT WE MAKE ABSOLUTELY CLEAR SOVIETS SOONEST WE CONTINUE HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE FOR OUR FREE MOVEMENT ALL ALONG HIGHWAY, WITHOUT ANY INTERFERENCE OF ANY KIND FROM EAST GERMANS.

SINCE CORRESPONDENCE INITIATED BY USCOB, BELIEVE DESIRABLE THAT REPLY KOROL! S LETTER BE MADE BY USCOB ALONG LINES SUGGESTED

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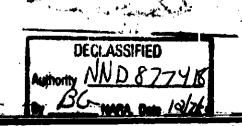
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